

AHCCCS HIPAA Contingency Planning

The following summarizes our procedures and expectations related to HIPAA trading partner contingency election. If you have any questions, comments or suggestions please let us know.

AHCCCS will support ongoing processing of the current proprietary formats on a contingency basis as requested by trading partners. If a current AHCCCS Trading Partner wishes to elect a delay in compliance with the HIPAA implementation date of 10/16/2003 for the 834/820 transactions they must submit a formal request for delay. This request must contain at least the following information:

Transaction: 834/820

Submitter Name:

Submitter Id:

Contact Name(s)/Email Address(es):

Brief statement requesting delayed implementation.

Statement of timeframe for compliance.

High level Action Steps that will be taken to ensure compliance.

This information must be submitted either via email to the AHCCCSHIPAAWorkgroup@ahcccs.state.az.us or via mail to the attention of Lori Petre, HIPAA Testing Manager at:

801 East Jefferson

Phoenix, AZ 85034

No later than COB, Wednesday, September 24, 2003.